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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PBOR, PINT, TH, LA
SUBJECT: POSTER CAMPAIGN IN NONG KHAI WARNS AGAINST OPENING
CONTACTS WITH LAOS.

1. POSTERS ASKING "WHAT WILL WE GAIN FROM OPENING OUR BORDER WITH LAOS EXCEPT COMMUNIST INFILTRATION?" WERE IN EVIDENCE IN THE BORDER TOWNS OF NONG KHAI PROVINCE AS FOREIGN MINISTER BHICHAIRATTAKUL BEGAN TALKS WITH LAO OFFICIALS IN VIENTIANE ON JULY 31.
2. IN THA BO DISTRICT SEAT RIGHTIST DEMONSTRATORS STAGED A RALLY AT WHICH SPEAKERS WARNED THAT INCREASED CONTACTS WITH LAOS WOULD ONLY INVITE INFILTRATION AND SUBVERSION. THAI CONSULAR ASSISTANT REPORTED THAT ANTI-COMMUNIST RHETORIC AND STRAINS OF THE PATRIOTIC SONG, NAK PAN DIN, ATTRACTED ABOUT 500 SPECTATORS FROM THE THA BO WEEKEND MARKET. THE DEMONSTRATION PETERED OUT QUICKLY AS A HEAVY AFTERNOON RAIN STORM DAMPENED ORATORICAL FIRES.
3. COMMENT: MANY OFFICIALS IN THE NORTHEAST ARE CONVINCED THAT
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BROADENED CONTACTS WITH LAOS WILL BE DAMAGING TO THAI SECURITY A

PROVINCIAL OFFICIAL FROM LOEI WHO ACCOMPANIED BHICHAH ON HIS INSPECTION TRIP OF REFUGEE CAMPS IN LOEI AND NONG KHAI ON JULY 28-29 TOLD CONSOFF THAT SOHICHAH WAS BRIEFED ON THE SECURITY IMPLICATIONS OF AN OPEN BORDER. HE OBSERVED, HOWEVER, THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTER STRONGLY FAVORED REACTIVATING AT LEAST SEVERAL ADDITIONAL BORDER CROSSING POINTS AND THAT OFFICIALS IN THE NORTHEAST ARE NOT LIKELY TO CHANGE HIS MIND.

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